

COMMUNION, TIL HE COME

EATING TOGETHER TO SHOW THE LORD'S DEATH

"For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup,
ye do shew the Lord's death till he come."

- 1 Corinthians 11:26

1. Eating Together

- a. Our communion is with Christ and each other - 1 Cor 10:16; 12:12-14, 26-27
- b. It is displayed by eating together in 1 Cor 11: "come together" 5x, "eat" 8x
- c. "as often" – which means it cannot be the Passover or Sabbath
- d. Not a new testament rite nor legal ordinance like the Jewish baptism – Heb 9:10

2. "shew the Lord's death"

- a. Not the Romanist re-crucifixion at every Mass
- b. His death did more than atone for your sins – Rom 3:25, 4:25, 5:11
 - i. The old man is crucified there: he died to sin – Rom 6:6, Gal 2:20
 - ii. Sins and sin are different – One is the act, the other is the nature.
 - iii. Things accomplished by his death: Rom 5:8-10, Eph 1:7, Col 2:11, 14
 - iv. Our communion with the blood – Eph 2:13-15, 1 Cor 3:16
 - v. We are the temple – 1 Cor 3:16
- c. Showing his death by its affect in us – Gal 6:14, 2:20, 5:24
- d. Our lives should show his death when we do anything - 1 Cor 10:31
- e. We were sinners when Christ died for us – Rom 5:8, 12:3-4
- f. The members of the body are not perfect either – Rom 7:24, Eph 4:2, Titus 3:2

3. "til he come"

- a. Death is swallowed up in victory by the resurrection – 1 Cor 15:55-57
- b. Something happens when he comes:
 - i. We are changed in a moment – 15:49, 52-54
 - ii. We receive a new body – Phil 3:20, Rom 8:23, Eph 4:30
 - iii. We meet the Lord in the air – 1 Thess 4:16-17
 - iv. We are promoted to glory – Rom 8:18, 30, Eph 2:6-7, Col 3:4
- c. Grace teaches: Godly in this present world, waiting for the better – Titus 2:11-14
- d. We have a ministry to do good works now – Titus 3:8, Eph 2:10

4. Care One for Another

- a. The members are to care one for another - 1 Cor 12:22-25
- b. Peace and unity can only be accomplished by dead reckoning in Christ. Eph 4:2
- c. God gave his body and blood for us, we are to have the same mind - Phil 2:4-8
- d. Showing his death can only be done with other people – Col 1:24
- e. This is a function of the body, not a sacrament to an individual member.
- f. "For you" is what we remember: 1 Cor 11:24; Col 1:3, 1:9; 2Cor 12:15, Eph 3:13
- g. Paul recognizes the benefit he would receive by leaving, but ... – Phil 1:23-24